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ON PETITION

This is a decision on the request for reconsideration, filed November 24, 1997, under 37 CFR 1.378(e) to accept the unintentionally delayed payment of the maintenance fee for the above-identified patent.

The petition is granted.

The patent issued July 28, 1992. The grace period for paying the first maintenance fee expired at midnight on July 29, 1996. Therefore, since a petition was filed within twenty-four months after the six-month period provided in 37 CFR 1.362(e), the petition was timely filed under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.378(c).

Accordingly, the maintenance fee in this case is hereby accepted and the above-identified patent is hereby reinstated as of the mail date of this decision.

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